

STREET AND TRAFFIC CONTROL IMPROVEMENTS

The Street and Traffic Control Program includes \$1,052 million in City, Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO), Private, and State and Federal funds. It is the largest general improvement capital program comprising 46% of the total \$2.3 billion identified for the public improvement capital programs.

The FY2007-2011 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) includes bond funds of \$162 million. Additionally, the City is set to receive significant amounts of transportation and mobility assistance from METRO (\$319 million) and the Texas Department of Transportation-TXDOT (\$265 million current and proposed). Other funding sources include, Army Corp. of Engineers (\$2.7 million), Harris County (\$41 million).

The voter authorized bond funds are projected to be exhausted in FY2008. Funding from an “Undetermined” source of funds is included in FY2008 and FY2011 (\$209 million). It is expected that a future bond election will be help to provide for additional voter authorized bonds for future programming.

The City has participated with Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) and our Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), in developing the update to the Regional Transportation Plan.

Projects for the Street and Traffic Control Facilities Improvements Program are classified in five major categories and are highlighted as follows:

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Major Thoroughfares – Funding: \$629 Million

- Projects that improve existing four-lane and two lane streets, designated as major thoroughfares, to major thoroughfare standards. Includes \$152 million funded with METRO funds.
- Projects for reconstruction or rehabilitation of existing thoroughfares. Includes \$78 million funded with METRO funds.

Neighborhood Street Reconstruction-Funding \$144 Million

- Projects that reconstruct or upgrade neighborhood streets to concrete pavement standards. Includes \$61 million funded with METRO funds.

Ancillary Projects – Funding \$7 million

- Includes street program support costs: regional maintenance facilities, contingencies, program planning and management

Contract Street Overlay – Funding: \$35 Million

- Projects that primarily provide asphalt overlay for collectors, thoroughfares and neighborhood streets. Primarily funded with METRO funds.

General Mobility – Funding: \$237 million

- Projects that improve infrastructure that immediately impact transportation: hike and bike trails, railroad crossing, major concrete rehabilitation work by City crews, traffic signal system, Safe Sidewalk Program, bridge replacements, and Houston Hope. Includes \$12 million funded with METRO funds.